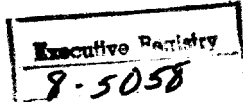


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My dear Mr. Dulles:

In planning for the 18th Decennial Census of Population and Housing, to be taken in April, 1960, it is important that the needs of Federal agencies be taken into account as fully as possible. I am therefore organizing a Federal Agency Population and Housing Census Council to provide an organized channel whereby the advice of Federal agency users of the Census data can be transmitted to the Bureau of the Budget and the Bureau of the Census.

The Federal Agency Population and Housing Census Council will be composed of official representatives of those Federal bureaus or agencies which make considerable use of decennial census materials. The Council will provide such users with an opportunity to make their views known and to keep themselves informed of developments relating to the censuses. It is expected that the Council will meet several times a year for the next four or five years, under the chairmanship of Mr. Peyton Stapp, Assistant Chief of this Office.

In addition to this Council, sponsored by the Bureau of the Budget, a number of other advisory committees are being established by the Bureau of the Census. One of these is an advisory Council of users other than Federal agencies. The remaining committees directly advisory to the Census Bureau will be technical in nature, consisting of individuals appointed because of their technical competence in particular subject matter areas without regard to their agency or organizational affiliations.


The focus of attention of the Federal Agency Council will be primarily on the broader aspects of the 1960 Census, covering such matters as the content of the schedules, the type of data to be published, and the overall quality controls. Detailed technical problems will receive only a minimum of attention. It is planned to distribute the agenda and supporting documentation prior to each meeting, in sufficient time for each representative to obtain a consensus within his own agency. The first meeting is tentatively scheduled for a half-day session in August.

If you believe that your interests in the 18th Decennial Census of Population and Housing warrant participation in the work of the

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Council, I shall be glad to have you designate a representative. Please let me have the name of your representative at an early date so that the August meeting can be organized. For your information, I am attaching a list of the Federal agencies which are being invited to send representatives.

Sincerely yours,

  
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Assistant Director for  
Statistical Standards

Honorable Allen W. Dulles, Director  
Central Intelligence Agency  
Washington 25, D. C.

Attachment